## KEROSENE OIL QUOTA

**57. Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon** *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the quota of Kerosene oil tins received by the Civil Supplies Department from the Burma Shell Company, Shoranur;

(*b*) the price paid by Government to the white and yellow oil tins separately;

(*c*) the selling price of these two different varieties of oil to private licensed merchants?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: (*a*) 130 tins of Kerosene oil a month of which 60 tins are white and the balance yellow.

(*b*) White Kerosene oil—Rs. 4—13—0. Yellow—Rs. 4—6—3.

(*c*) White Kerosene oil—Rs. 4—14—0. Yellow—Rs. 4—7—3.

**Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon** *(Cheruthuruthi)*: May I know what is the quantity of kerosene oil received during the first month when the quota was granted?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: I want notice.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Nelayi)*: May I know how many tins we were receiving some one or two years back?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Almost double of what we are now taking.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: എല്ലാ താലൂക്കിലുമുള്ള ഓരോ കുടുംബങ്ങളിലേക്കും മണ്ണെണ്ണ കൊടുക്കുന്നതു് ഒരേ തോതിലാണോ?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: തോതു് ഒന്നല്ല. In some Taluks when there is an accumulation of stock we give a little more.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: ഏതേതു താലൂക്കുകളിൽ കൂടുതലുണ്ടു്?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: കുറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ല; കൂടിയിട്ടുമില്ല. For example in the Talappalli Taluk it has been possile to give a little more, because at one time there was an accumulation of stock. So also in Trichur.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: മറ്റു താലൂക്കുകളിൽ എന്തു് വീതമാണു് കൊടുത്തുവരുന്നതു്?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: In the rural areas, half a bottle and in municipalities for houses where there are electric lights half a bottle and for non-electric light houses one bottle.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: കൊച്ചികണയന്തൂർ താലൂക്കിലും തലപ്പിള്ളി താലൂക്കിലും ഒരേ രീതിയിലാണോ കൊടുക്കാറു്?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)* It has been possible to give a little more in the northern taluks, because there is a great accumulation of stock there.

**Mr. V. J. Mathai** *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to note that Nemmara is getting very little, practically nothing.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: നെന്മാറയിൽ മണ്ണെണ്ണ വളരെ കുറച്ചേ കിട്ടുന്നുള്ളു.

ഒരു മെമ്പർ: അവിടെ എലക്ട്രിക്കു് വിളക്കില്ലേ?

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: എലക്ട്രിക്കു് വിളക്കുകളുള്ള കുടുംബങ്ങൾ വളരെ കുറയും; വളരെ ദരിദ്രരാണു് ഞങ്ങൾ.

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: For the Chittur Taluk the quota is received from Palghat. It is not possible to increase it.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: കൊച്ചികണയന്തൂർ താലൂക്കിൽ മാസത്തിലൊരിക്കലൊണോ മണ്ണെണ്ണ കൊടുക്കുന്നതു്?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Yes. Sometimes it is distributed according to the convenience of the parties.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: മണ്ണെണ്ണ ശരിക്കു കിട്ടുന്നില്ലെന്നുള്ള ആക്ഷേപം ഏതെങ്കിലും താലൂക്കുകളിൽനിന്നു് ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Not from the northern taluks now-a-days. Some months back we had.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: ഈ ആക്ഷേപത്തിനു നിവാരണമൊന്നുമുണ്ടായിട്ടില്ല.

**Mr. V. J. Mathai** *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to note that while in the case of sugar the urban population may have a greater claim, in the matter of kerosene oil the rural population have a greater claim. In view of the distance and the want of roads, I request that they should be given as much as possible.

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**Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon** *(Cheruthuruthi):* May I know whether both these kinds were not being sold at Rs. 5—4—0?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* There is defferent price for both white and yellow.

**Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon** *(Cheruthuruthi):* My point is, the quota given by the Burma Shell Company Shorannur during the first month was 180 tins. Have the Government enquired what was done with it?

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Have the Government made arrangements for retailing kerosene in the rural areas in the Chittur Taluk?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* Yes.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Have the Government received complaints that the rural areas in the Chittur Taluk have not been receiving kerosene?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* I have received complaints that they want more oil, not that they had not been receiving oil at all.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* It is not a question of asking for more. Are the Government in receipt of complaints that arrangements have not been made in certain rural areas in the Chittur Taluk to distribute the oil?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* I do not remember to have received any.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* In view of the coming harvest may I know whether Government will kindly see that certain arrangements are made for the distribution of kerosene oil to the agriculturists there.

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* I will try to give as much as possible.

**Mr. V. J. Mathai** *(Planters):* Will you kindly increase the quota for Nemmara, because there is a real complaint?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* I will look into it.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* What is the basis on which the rationing of kerosene oil is allowed to houses in rural areas?

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* The available quota will be distributed among the number of houses.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* May I know whether there is any objection to allow a man kerosene oil if he has a card for rice.

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* To those who possess ration cards and to those who do not possess ration cards, we issue kerosene.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamanglam):* May I know whether Government cannot arrange for supply of more oil to Chittur by taking necessary order to take oil from Trichur instead of from Palghat.

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* The district quota is given to the district alone. It is not possible to transfer the quota of one district to another district.

**Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* It is not possible, that is what you say.

**Mr. M. M. Paul** *(Director of Food Supplies):* The companies do not allow that. The quota of one taluk cannot be taken to another taluk. In fact we have written again and again in the matter.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Vadakkancheri):* I may be allowed to club the question numbers 58 and 59 together.

**Mr. President:** Yes. It can be clubbed together.

## ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURTS

**58. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the number of additional District Courts now working in the State;

(*b*) how long were they working inclusive of 1118?

**Mr. M. Sivarama Menon** *(Advocate-General):*

(*a*) One.

(*b*) Working from 15th Mithunam 1118.

## ORIGINAL SUITS AND APPEALS—PARTICULARS OF

**59. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Vadakkancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the number of appeals pending which are over 1 year old, two years old and more than two years old in the two District Courts of the State;

(*b*) what is the number of original suits of the nature in (*a*) in the two District Courts of the State?

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